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FOR GARRISON FROM MATLOCK

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: OGEN  
SUBJECT: OFFICIAL - INFORMAL

1. RE HARRIS VISIT, WE BELIEVE IT IS OBLIGATORY FOR THE SOVIET SIDE TO MAKE THE APPROPRIATE ARRANGEMENTS FOR SECRETARIAL SUPPORT FOR THE HUD DELEGATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECRETARY HARRIS' DESIRES. GREENBERG HAS RECEIVED GOSSTROY PROMISE TO MAKE HOTEL RESERVATIONS FOR A HUD SECRETARY STARTING SEPTEMBER 15, AND ASEKD THAT IT BE WITH THE REST OF THE DELEGATION. HOWEVER, THE SOVIETS APPEAR TO HAVE SOME PROBLEM WITH THIS. HE HAS ALSO IMPRESSED ON GOSSTROY THE NECESSITY FOR APPROPRIATE WORK SPACE FOR THE SECRETARY, PREFERABLY AT THE DACHA AT LENIN HILLS, AND HAS UNDERLINED THAT HUD HAD MADE WORK SPACE AVAILABLE TO SOVIET SUPPORT PERSONNEL DURING THE PREVIOUS JCM HELD IN WASHINGTON. GOSSTROY DEFERRED A FORMAL ANSWER ON THIS POINT UNTIL SEPTEMBER 12. IT APPEARS LIKELY THAT WE WILL OBTAIN WORK SPACE FOR THE HUD SECRETARY AT GOSSTROY IF NOT AT THE DACHA. WE LEAVE IT TO THE DEPARTMENT TO DECIDE WHETHER TDY ORDERS FOR THE SECRETARY ARE NECESSARY, BUT IT SHOULD BE UNDERSTOOD THAT HE WILL COME AT HUD EXPENSE.

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2. WE ARE PUZZLED BY HUD'S QUESTION AS TO WHETHER SPASO HOUSE WOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR SECRETARY HARRIS' RETURN RECEPTION SINCE WE HAVE MADE IT PERFECTLY CLEAR TO THEM BOTH BY CABLE AND TELEPHONE THAT THE RECEPTION WOULD BE HELD AT DCM RESIDENCE. IF HUD SHOULD RAISE THAT MATTER AGAIN, WE SUGGEST YOU EXPLAIN TO THEM THAT SPASO HOUSE WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE UDE TO THE AMBASSADOR'S ABSENCE

AS WELL AS THAT OF RESIDENCE SUPPORT PERSONNEL DURING THE  
HARRIS VISIT.

3. REGARDING YALE'S CONCERN OVER PHRASE "AS GUESTS OF  
US CONGRESS" (PARAGRAPH THREE OF STATE 193411), WE DID NOT  
MENTION THE WORD "GUEST" WHEN WE SPOKE TO THE USA DIVISION  
OF MFA ABOUT THE SUPREME SOVIET DELEGATION. THUS, AS FAR AS  
WE KNOW THERE IS NO MISUNDERSTANDING ABOUT WHO PAYS LOCAL  
COSTS.  
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